## Amendment No. 1 to HB0182

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 34, is amended by adding the following as a new part:

29-34-401.

For purposes of this part:

- (1) "Ice-skating rink" means a facility that is designed for ice-skating and that is used by the public for recreational or competitive ice-skating;
- (2) "Operator" mean a person who owns, controls, or has operational responsibility for an ice-skating facility, or the agent of that person; and
- (3) "Spectator" means an individual who is present at an ice-skating rink to observe ice-skating.

29-34-402.

- (a) An operator shall not be liable for damage or injuries to an ice-skater or spectator where the operator complies with the requirements of § 29-34-403.
- (b) A person who participates as an ice-skater at an ice-skating rink operated in accordance with the requirements of § 29-34-403 assumes the risk of injury or damage that may occur as a result of that participation and shall comply with the requirements of § 29-34-404.
- (c) A spectator at an ice-skating rink operated in accordance with the requirements of § 29-34-403 assumes the risk of injury or damage that may occur as a result of being a spectator and shall comply with the requirements of § 29-34-404. 29-34-403.
  - (a) An operator shall:

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- (1) Provide at least one (1) individual to act as a rink monitor for approximately every two hundred (200) skaters at any given time that ice-skating is open to the public;
- (2) Conduct periodic inspections of the ice, skating equipment and all other equipment in a manner that will ensure a safe operating condition;
- (6) Comply with all guidelines for ice-skating rinks endorsed or recommended by the Ice Skating Institute;
- (7) Post duties and expectations of skaters and spectators as prescribed by this chapter in conspicuous places;
- (8) Maintain liability insurance coverage of at least one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per single limit for personal-injury death or property damage; and
  - (9) Maintain accurate records and daily logs for the ice-skating facility.
- (b) The rink monitor shall:
  - (1) Wear appropriate attire as to identify the individual as a rink monitor;
  - (2) Direct and supervise skaters and spectators;
- (3) Watch for and remove in a timely manner any foreign objects that may have fallen off the ice surface; and
- (4) Inspect and maintain, or request maintenance of, the ice surface, floors, railings, boards, and walls surrounding the surface in a manner that will ensure the good condition of those areas.

#### 29-34-404.

(a) Skaters in an ice-skating rink shall:

- (1) Comply with all posted signs and warnings that relate to the skater's behavior while participating in ice-skating at the ice skating rink;
- (2) Obey all instructions or warnings given by the rink monitor, rink personnel or rink operator;
- (3) Maintain reasonable control over skate speed and direction at all times;
- (4) Be aware that there are other skaters and objects on the ice surface and take reasonable care to avoid collision with those skaters or objects; and
- (5) Be aware that ability and skill levels of ice-skaters vary and each individual must take reasonable care to ice-skate within the individual's personal abilities.
- (b) Ice-skaters shall not act in a manner that may cause injury or damage to others or their property.
- (c) Spectators shall comply with each posted sign or warning that relates to the behavior of the spectator.

#### 29-34-405.

- (a) This part shall not limit the liability of one (1) ice-skater or spectator to another ice-skater or spectator.
- (b) This part shall not apply where an operator engages in behavior that amounts to gross negligence, or willful or wanton conduct.
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.